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SUBJ: EC PARTICIPATION IN UN SPECIAL EMERGENCY FUND FOR MSA'S

1. ON SEPTEMBER 25, IMMEDIATELY AFTER HIS RETURN FROM BRUSSELS' EC COUNCIL (DEVELOPMENT) MEETING, DANISH AID (DANIDA) ADMINISTRATOR ULRICHSEN TOLD DCM AND ECON COUNSELOR THAT AGREEMENT WAS REACHED AT MEETING FOR A \$150 MILLION FIRST TRANCHE EC CONTRIBUTION TO THE UN APPEAL FOR ASSISTING MSA'S BUT THAT GERMANY AND FRANCE INSISTED ON HOLDING UP THE COMMITMENT UNTIL CONCRETE EVIDENCE WERE AVAILABLE OF CONTRIBUTIONS BY
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OTHERS. COUNCIL AGREED TO MEET AGAIN OCTOBER 3 TO REVIEW THE

SITUATION. HE SAID DUTCH WERE IRATE AND SAID THAT THEY WOULD, IN ANY CASE, OFFER \$30 MILLION AS THEIR CONTRIBUTION AT NEW YORK MEETING FRIDAY CALLED BY UN SECY GEN WALDHEIM. ULRICHSEN ASSUMED, IF DUTCH DO SO, THIS WOULD ULTIMATELY BE COUNTED AS PART OF EC CONTRIBUTION.

2. ULRICHSEN NOTED THAT, WHILE BOTH BRITISH AND DANES WERE EAGER TO MOVE AHEAD ON COMMITMENT OF FIRST TRANCHE, THEY AGREED TO HOLD THE LINE UNTIL OCTOBER 3 BRUSSELS MEETING. IN THE DISCUSSIONS ON THIS POINT, ULRICHSEN WAS SURPRISED TO HEAR BRITISH DEVELOPMENT MINISTER, MRS. HART, WHO HE HAD FOUND NOT PARTICULARLY FRIENDLY TO THE EC, PLEADING WITH THE DUTCH TO "GO THE COMMUNITY WAY".

3. ULRICHSEN HOPED THAT U.S., AMONG OTHERS, WOULD BE IN POSITION TO MAKE SPECIFIC STATEMENT ABOUT CONTRIBUTION TO MSA'S AT FRIDAY'S UN MEETING IN ORDER TO EASE THE TASK OF CONVINCING FRENCH AND GERMANS THE FOLLOWING THURSDAY TO GO ALONG WITH A COMMUNITY COMMITMENT.
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